

## APPROVED

### **Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes of January 28, 2015 Meeting**

**Present:** Ron Baker (Member at Large); Dexter Eddy (Housing Authority); Ethel Mantzaris (YSB), chair; Carol Norrish, MAC; Joan Terry (Senior Center Assn.)

**Absent:** Fred Goetz (ADA); Jennifer Hoskins, Comm. on Aging; Lorraine Kenowski (Member at Large); Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM)

**Staff:** Pat Schneider, Director of Human Services

Ethel welcomed Carol Norrish, a new committee member representing Mansfield Advocates for Children.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The minutes from the December 2014 meeting were approved as written.

**Staff** – Pat reported that one of the key department problems is the condition of the senior center building. Among its major shortcomings are the siding, the windows, the floor in the main room, the retaining wall, the HVAC system and the lack of ADA compliance in the restrooms. There is some question about putting the funds needed for these repairs into an old building.

Also at the senior center, a self-assessment process is underway which may lead to accreditation by the national senior center association.

**Agency Grants** – The committee members discussed the various requests that have been submitted asking for funds in the 2015-16 budget. Pat will submit our suggestions to the Town Manager.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Terry, Secretary

**REMINDER - Meeting Dates for 2015 are March 25, May 27, September 30 and December 9 at 3:30 p.m.**